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State revokes, suspends licenses, certifications, registrations of health care providers

OLYMPIA — The Washington State Department of Health has revoked or suspended the licenses, certifications, or registrations of health care providers in our state. The department has also immediately suspended the credentials of people who have been prohibited from practicing in other states.

The department's Health Systems Quality Assurance Office works with boards, commissions and advisory committees to set licensing standards for more than 70 health care professions (e.g., medical doctors, nurses, counselors).

Information about health care providers is on the agency's Web site. Click on "Provider Credential Search" on the left hand side of the <u>Department of Health home page</u> (www.doh.wa.gov). The site includes information about a health care provider's license status, the expiration and renewal date of their credential, disciplinary actions and copies of legal documents issued after July 1998. This information is also available by calling 360-236-4700. Consumers who think a health care provider acted unprofessionally are also encouraged to call and report their complaint.

Chelan County

In March 2010 the Nursing Assistant Program indefinitely suspended the credential of certified nursing assistant **Jesse Fredrick Drach** (NAC.NC.60102485). Drach failed to comply with a previous order.

In March 2010 the Medical Commission entered into an agreed order with physician **Kenneth M. Jones** (MD00028268) to suspend his license for 30 days. He aided and abetted the unlicensed practice of medicine by serving as the medical director at two clinics in which employees injected patients with medications, and provide medical care to patients without being properly licensed. Jones also provided his Drug Enforcement Agency registration number to staff members so they could purchase prescription medication using his number. Jones also prescribed human growth hormone and testosterone to patients inappropriately, placing patients at risk of harm. Jones must comply with terms and conditions set against his license.

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Clallam County

In March 2010 the Nursing Assistant Program denied the reactivation request and suspended the credential of certified nursing assistant **Susan Ann Crabtree** (NAC.NC.10031977). In 2009 Crabtree was convicted of possession of a controlled substance other than marijuana, and third degree theft.

Franklin County

In March 2010 the Secretary of Health indefinitely suspended the credential of **Diana A. Salgado** (RC.RC.00059501). Salgado failed to comply with previous terms and conditions set against her credential.

Grant County

In March 2010 the Nursing Assistant Program indefinitely suspended the credential of **Melody D. Roper** (NAR.NA.00148970). Roper stole numerous items from residents at the facility where she worked.

Island County

In March 2010 the Nursing Assistant Program suspended the credential of **Krysten N. Kimmel** (NAR.NA.60002313). Kimmel was convicted of second degree assault in 2009.

King County

In March 2010 the Medical Commission revoked the license of physician **Faten Anwar** (MD00036692). Anwar's license to practice medicine in New York was revoked.

In March 2010 the Health Care Assistant Program indefinitely suspended the credential of **Stephanie L. Collier** (HCA.HC.00009135). Collier failed to comply with previous terms and conditions set against her credential.

In March 2010 the Nursing Commission indefinitely suspended the license of registered nurse **Diane Hamilton** (RN.RN.00037670). Hamilton failed to comply with a previous order.

In March 2010 the Secretary of Health withdrew the statement of charges against nursing assistant **Bobbie Lewis** (NAR.NA.00052206).

In March 2010 the Secretary of Health revoked the credential of chiropractic x-ray technician **Jennifer Susan Partosa** (CX00000993). She was convicted of two counts of child rape.

In March 2010 the Dental Commission withdrew the statement of charges against dentist **Vance Reed** (DENT.DE.00006387).

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In April 2010 the Licensed Mental Health Counselor Program suspended the credential of **David E. Weed** (MHC.LH.00008760). Weed entered into a sexual relationship with a patient for about a year. During this time, Weed continued to treat the patient's husband and child even though he had told the patient that he had stopped providing services to her husband and child.

Kitsap County

In March 2010 the Pharmacy Board withdrew the statement of charges against pharmacy technician **Jocelyn R. Horrilleno** (PTEC.VA.00050553).

In March 2010 the Nursing Assistant Program suspended the credential of **Dominique S. Lowe** (NAR.NA.60032886). Lowe was convicted of first degree theft and eight counts of Medicaid false statement in 2008.

Pierce County

In April 2010 the Nursing Assistant Program indefinitely suspended the credential of **Cynthia A. Ball** (NAR.NA.60038908). Ball stole property from residents at the facility where she worked, and failed to respond to department investigators about the incidents. She was also convicted of third degree theft in 2009.

In March 2010 the Medical Commission withdrew the July 2009 statement of charges against physician **Dennis J. Geyer** (MD00048961).

In March 2010 the Denturist Program reinstated the credential of **Larisa Reznik** (DENR.DN.0000325) and placed her on probation for three years. She must comply with terms and conditions. Reznik was denied a license to practice as a denturist in Maine, and failed to disclose her Maine licensing and employment history when she applied in Washington.

Snohomish County

In March 2010 the Nursing Commission suspended the license of registered nurse **Rose F. Huggett** (RN.RN.00163533). Huggett tested positive for cocaine, codeine, and morphine during a urinalysis. She also failed to respond to a department investigator about the incident.

Spokane County

In March 2010 the Health Care Assistant Program indefinitely suspended the credential of **Shannon B. Belisle** (HCA.HC.00154966). Belisle failed to comply with a previous order.

In March 2010 the Nursing Commission accepted the license surrender of registered nurse **Joanie M. Dufault** (RN.RN.00090668). Dufault agrees to not resume practice as a registered nurse in Washington, including any temporary, emergency, or volunteer practice.

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Whatcom County

In March 2010 the Nursing Commission suspended the license of licensed practical nurse **Karen M. Erickson** (LPN.LP.00043485). Erickson tested positive for controlled substances during a urinalysis. She failed to respond to a department investigator about the incident.

In April 2010 the Nursing Assistant Program indefinitely suspended the credential of **Renee M. Sheek** (NAC.NC.10060980). Sheek failed to comply with previous terms and conditions set against her credential.

Out of State

California: In March 2010 the Medical Commission accepted the license surrender of physician **Khanh G. Pham** (MD00023507). Pham will not resume practice in Washington and has no right to apply for license reinstatement, renewal, or reactivation.

Canada: In March 2010 the Medical Commission revoked the license of physician **Carlos D. Huerto** (MD00020174). Huerto's license to practice medicine in Canada was permanently revoked for having a sexual relationship with a patient, who was also his employee.

Nevada: In March 2010 the Nursing Commission indefinitely suspended the license of registered nurse **Bonnie E. Bowen** (RN.RN.00175071). Bowen's application to practice as a registered nurse in Nevada was denied. She remains prohibited from practicing there.

Oregon: In March 2010 the Nursing Commission summarily suspended the license of registered nurse **Jannette L. Rickard** (RN.RN.00133869). Rickard voluntarily surrendered her license to practice nursing in Oregon. She remains prohibited from practicing there.

Oregon: in March 2010 the Pharmacy Board suspended the license of pharmacist **Joseph W. Chan** (PHRM.PH.00011138). Chan's license to practice as a pharmacist in Oregon was suspended. He remains prohibited from practicing there.

Oregon: In March 2010 the Nursing Commission suspended the license of registered nurse **Tina M. Peek** (RN.RN.00172809). Peek voluntarily surrendered her license to practice nursing in Oregon. She remains prohibited from practicing there.

Texas: In March 2010 the Nursing Commission summarily suspended the license of registered nurse **Cristina J. Williams** (RN.RN.60089172). Williams voluntarily surrendered her license to practice nursing in Oregon. She remains prohibited from practicing there.

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